

Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

Mission Statement

What We Do:

Ensure that the Department of State effectively utilizes all legislatively specified categories of small businesses in our prime contracts and subcontracts to the maximum extent practicable. We accomplish our mission through:

- Championing U.S. small business interests in the Department's acquisition process.
- Providing to the small business community training and counseling about doing business with the Department of State in order to expand the base of small business firms selling to the Department.
- Providing training and counseling to our internal customers about contracting with small businesses; Assisting internal customers in identifying resources that result in increased opportunities for small businesses.

Our Customers:

- U.S. Small Business Community
- Department of State Personnel Assigned Domestically and Overseas
- Large Business Prime Contractors
- Small Business Trade Associations

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